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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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JRF SRF AND RA FELLOWSHIPS
ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Science and Technology being the nodal ministry have increased their fellowships with effect from 1st April, 2002 whereas CSIR has given effect to the same from 1st August 2002 to their research fellows;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken to remove this anomaly?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government has enhanced the fellowships and grants being awarded to scientists working on centrally sponsored R&D projects with effect from 01.04.2002. CSIR being an autonomous registered society implements the policy changes as per the direction of the Governing Body. The Governing Body of CSIR, keeping in view the additional financial implications, decided to give currency to the enhanced fellowship with effect from 01.08.2002.